

PORTUGAL

a. SUMMARY OF CLAIMS

TYPE	DATE	SOURCE	LIMITS	NOTES
I. TERRITORIAL SEA	May 77	Act No. 33/77	12nm	
II. ARCHIPELAGIC, STRAIGHT BASELINES, & HISTORIC CLAIMS	Aug 66	Law No. 2130		Enabling legislation for straight baselines.
	Jun 67	Decree Law No. 47,771		Established closing lines that in effect treat Tagus and Sado estuaries, and associated coastal indentations, as "historic bays."
	Nov 85	Decree Law No. 495/85		This historic claim is not recognized by the U.S. U.S. protested claim in 1986. Established straight baselines. (Waters between Madeiras and Azores islands claimed as internal.)
				This claim is not recognized by the U.S. U.S. protested claim in 1986.
III. CONTIGUOUS ZONE	Aug 66	Law No. 2130	12nm	Claimed security authority within contiguous zone to "guarantee, in case of emergency, or when national security is believed threatened, its legitimate defense." Appears superseded by Act No. 33/77.
IV. CONTINENTAL SHELF	Mar 56	Law No. 2080	200m	
	Nov 69	Decree Law No. 49,369	1958 DEF	
V. FISHING ZONE/EEZ	Aug 66	Law No. 2130	12nm	Exclusive fishing zone.
	May 77	Act No. 33/77	200nm	EEZ: Acknowledged only "innocent passage," as well as overflight, within EEZ. Scientific research requires government consent. The claim is not recognized by the U.S. U.S. conducted operational assertions between 1979 and 1990.
VI. ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION	Mar 71	Decree Law No. 90/71	12nm	
VII. MARITIME BOUNDARIES	Feb 76	Agreement		Continental shelf boundary agreement with Spain (north and south) signed.
VIII. LOS CONVENTION	Dec 82			Signed.
	Jul 94			Signed Part XI Agreement, subject to ratification.

b. DOMESTIC LEGISLATION AND REGULATIONS

1. STRAIGHT BASELINES

A. LEGISLATION. Legislation set forth straight baselines along the Portuguese coast of the continent, around the Madeiras, and in the Azores. The following extracts from Decree Law No. 495/85 of 29 November 1985 show all coordinates of the above systems of straight baselines. Introductory textual matters in the legislation are included with the continental straight baselines. The system decreed for the Azores is divided among the eastern, central, and western parts of the Azores, respectively.

(1) Portuguese Continental Coast Straight Baselines

Inasmuch as it has become necessary to redefine the closing lines and straight baselines established by Decree-Law No. 47,771 of June 27, 1967, that supplement, along the coasts of the continent and the islands of the Autonomous Regions of Madeira and the Azores, the baseline established in Paragraph 1 of Base I of Law No. 2130(1) of August 22, 1966;

The agencies of the autonomous regions' own governments having been consulted;

Under the provisions of Paragraph 2 of the above-mentioned base the Government, pursuant to Article 201, Article 1(c) of the Constitution, decrees as follows:

Article 1. The normal baseline for measuring the breadth of the territorial sea established in Base I of Law No. 2130 is supplemented by the closing lines and straight baselines defined by the points whose geographic coordinates appear on Table I for the coast of the continent, Table II for the coasts of the islands of the Autonomous Region of Madeira, and on Tables III, IV, and V for the coasts of the islands of the Autonomous Region of the Azores. Those tables are annexed to this decree-law and are an integral part hereof.

Article 2. In addition to those referred to in Article 1 above, the Portuguese State uses as a baseline for measuring the breadth of the territorial sea the closing lines that result from the application of international law to the roadsteads used for loading, unloading, and anchoring of ships, the mouths of rivers, and the entrances to ports.

Article 3. Decree-Law No. 47,771 of June 27, 1967 is hereby revoked.

TABLE I

Closing Lines and Straight Baselines that Supplement
The Normal Baseline Along the Coast of the Continent

I.M. Chart No.	Straight Baselines	Geographic Coordinates of end points	
		Latitude N.	Longitude W.
59	From Ver-o-Mar	41°24.85'	08°47.20'
	to mouth of Vouga River (North jetty)	40°38.64'	08°45.42'
64	From Cabo Mondego (Pedra da Nau)	40°11.02'	08°54.55'
	to Farilhoes (Pedra Grande)	39°28.73'	09°32.65'
68	From Farilhoes (Pedra Grande)		
	to Farilhoes-Forcada (Pedra W.)	39°28.20'	09°33.42'
68	From Farilhoes-Forcada (Pedra W.)		
	to Berlenga-Estelas (via Broeiro)	39°24.98'	09°32.28'
68	From Belenga-Estelas (via Broeiro)		
04	to Cabo da Roca (Pedra de Arca)	38°46.82'	09°30.20'
72	From Cabo Raso	38°42.48'	09°29.10'
05	to Cabo Espichel	38°24.77'	09°13.28'
05	From Cabo Espichel		
84	to Cabo de Sines (head of jetty)	37°56.17'	08°53.25'
84	From Cabo de Sines (head of jetty)		
86	to Cabo de Sao Vicente (Pedra do Gigante)	37°02.25'	08°59.77'
86	From Ponta de Sagres	36°54.53'	08°56.92'
91	to Cabo de Santa Maria (Barreta Is.)	37°57.55'	07°53.07'

(2) Madeiras Archipelagic Baselines

TABLE II

Closing Lines and Straight Baselines that Supplement the Normal
Baseline Along the Coast of the Autonomous Region of Madeira

I.M. Chart No.	Straight Baselines	Geographic Coordinates of end points	
		Latitude N.	Longitude W.
104	From a point west of Ponta da Agulha (Bugio) (Ilhas Desertas)	32°24.15'	16°27.97'
102	to Ponta do Sol (Madeira)	32°40.40'	17°06.05'
	From the shoals of Moniz (Madeira)	32°52.58'	17°10.75'
152	to Pont de Sao Jorge (Madeira)	32°50.02'	16°54.00'
102	From Ponta de Sao Jorge to Ilheu de Branca (Madeira)	32°45.00'	16°41.40'
102	From Ilheu de Branca to Ponta do Castelo (Madeira)	32°44.85'	16°41.15'
102	From Ponta do Castelo to Ponta do Sao Lourenco (Madeira)	32°43.67'	16°39.10'
	From Ponta do Sao Lourenco to Ilheu Cahu (N.E.) (Ilhas Desertas)	32°35.28'	16°32.56'
103	From Ilheu do Ferro (N) (Porto Santo)	33°02.30'	16°24.33'
103	to Ilheu da Fonte da Areia (Porto Santo)	33°06.02'	16°22.00'
	From Ilheu da Fonte da Areia to Ilheu de Fora (Porto Santo)	33°07.45'	16°16.88'
103	From Ilheu de Fora to Ilheu de Cima (Porto Santo)	33°03.15'	16°16.60'
155	From Ilheu de Cima (S.E.)	33°03.05'	16°16.62'
103	To the tip of Ilheu de Baixo (S.E.) (Porto Santo)	32°59.67'	16°22.89'
103	From Ilheu de Baixo (W) (Porto Santo)	33°00.10'	16°23.35'
103	to Porta da Cabra (Porto Santo)	33°01.82'	16°24.30'

(3) Azores Archipelagic Baselines (Eastern, Central, Western)

TABLE III

Closing Lines and Straight Baselines that Supplement the Normal
Baseline Along the Coasts of the Autonomous Region of the
Azores (Western [sic] Group)

I.M. Chart No.	Straight Baselines	Geographic Coordinates of end points	
		Latitude N.	Longitude W.
169	From Ilheu da Vila (Santa Maria Island)	36°56.36'	25°10.25'
	to Ponta da Candelaria (Sao Miguel Island)	37°49.60'	25°50.45'
111	From Ponta da Bretanha (Sao Miguel Island)	37°54.38'	25°47.00'
	to the limits of Assornada (Sao Miguel Island)	37°51.45'	25°10.50'

111	From Ponta do Arnel (Sao Miguel Island)	37°49.40'	25°08.15'
166	to the Rock (N.) of Bicuda (Ilheus Formigas)	37°16.52'	24°46.88'
166	From Formigas (S.E.) (Ilheus Formigas)	37°16.16'	24°46.83'
110	to Sao Goncalo lighthouse point (E) (Santa Maria Island)	35°55.68'	25°00.87'

TABLE IV

Closing Lines and Straight Baselines that Supplement the Normal
Baseline Along the Coasts of the Autonomous Region of the
Azores (Central Group)

I.M. Chart No.	Straight Baselines	Geographic Coordinates of end points	
		Latitude N.	Longitude W.
114	From Queimada (Pico Island) to Ponto de Sao Mateus (Pico Island)	38°22.90'	28°14.40'
	From Ponta de Sao Maueus to Ponta de Castelo Branco (Faial Island)	38°23.28'	28°26.80'
114	From Ponta de Castelo Branco to Ponta dos Capelinhos (Faial Island)	38°31.32'	28°45.23'
114	From Ponta dos Capelinhos to Ponta dos Cedros (Faial Is.)	38°35.85'	28°50.20'
114	From Ponta dos Cedros to Ponta dos Rosais (Ilheu) (Sao Jorge Island)	38°38.68'	28°43.01'
114	From Ponta do Morro (N.) (Sao Jorge Island)	38°45.43'	28°19.28'
114	to the tip of Pico Island	38°32.35'	27°45.90'
	From Calheta de Nesquim (Pico Island)	38°24.63'	28°01.80'
114	to Ponta da Queimada (Pico Is.)	38°23.93'	28°04.90'
	From the rock at Baixa dos Buzios (Graciosa Island)	38°22.90'	28°14.40'
113	to the rock (N.E.) Ilheu da Praia (Graciosa Island)	39°05.42'	27°59.72'
	From the rock (N.E.) Ilheu da Praia	39°03.57'	27°57.16'
113	to Ilheu de Baixo (Graciosa Is.)	39°00.50'	27°56.22'
174	From Ponta do Enxudreiro (Graciosa Island)	39°00.73'	27°59.77'
113	to Furada (Graciosa Island)	39°01.37'	28°02.15'
	From Ilheu de Mina (Terceira Island)	38°38.90'	27°04.42'
112	to the Fradinhos rocks (Terceira Island)	38°36.70'	27°06.70'
112	From the Fradinhos rocks to Ponta de Sao Mateus (Terceira Island)	38°39.15'	27°16.70'

TABLE V

Closing Lines and Straight Baselines that Supplement the Normal
Baseline Along the Coasts of the Autonomous Region of the
Azores (Western Group)

I.M. Chart No.	Straight Baselines	Geographic Coordinates of end points	
		Latitude N.	Longitude W.
115	From Ilheu de Monchique (Flores Island)	39°29.65'	31°16.32'
115	to Ponta dos Torrosis (Corvo Island)	39°43.43'	31°07.03'
115	From the easternmost point on the coast (Corvo Island)	-	-
116	to the rock opposite Santa Cruz (Flores Island)	39°27.08'	31°07.15'